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Applicant(s) : Takashi Honda

Serial No. : 09/271,502

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AND RECORDING/REPRODUCING METHOD

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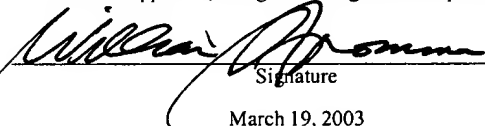
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Please cancel claims 15-36 and 44-53 without prejudice.

The claims of the present application are as follows:

- a1 Sub B7/ 1. (Original) A recording/reproducing apparatus comprising: